

VOLUNTEER RESOURCE



There are ample opportunities to volunteer your time and skills while stationed Yokota Air Base. Volunteering benefits both you and the community. While you add skills to your resume, or get your “foot in the door” with a new organization, you are also contributing to making Yokota AB the wonderful community that it is.



Volunteers are what “make” our community, and they also make it better.

Volunteers are needed to support many on-base and off-base agencies, both on a regular basis and for one-time events. Individual and team efforts are vital throughout the community, in everything from schools, to sports, to cultural, charitable, religious, and civic activities. Any interest, talent, or ability that you have can be shared and used to better yourself and your community. Volunteering not only provides a service to others, it is also personally rewarding on many levels.

TRACK YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS

(Link)

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION CEREMONY

Each year in April, a Volunteer Recognition Ceremony is held to recognize those individuals who donated their time to give back to the Yokota community.

AWARDS:

I. VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

- A. Active Duty Member Volunteer of the Year:**
- B. Civilian Employee Volunteer of the Year:**
- C. Family Member Volunteer of the Year**
- D. Youth Volunteer of the Year**
- E. Key Spouse Volunteer of the Year**
- F. Local National Volunteer of the Year**

II. VOLUNTEER EXCELLENCE AWARD (VEA) recognizes federal civilians, family members, and military federal retirees who performed outstanding volunteer community service. The service must be significant in character and produce tangible results. The award is intended to recognize exceptional long-term community support, not a single act or achievement.

VEA Guidance ([link](#))

III. MILITARY OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER SERVICE MEDAL (MOVSM) is an award given to members of the Armed Forces of the United States and their Reserve Components who performed outstanding volunteer community service of a sustained, direct, and consequential nature. This award is only given once during each PCS tour. While there is no specific time period to qualify for the MOVSM, it is intended to recognize exceptional community support over time, not a single act or achievement. Approval authority is delegated to the group commander level. Please refer to AFI 36-2803 para 5.2.4 for eligibility, sample nomination/approval memorandum or contact the 374th FSS Military Personnel Section for additional details. Commanders may request presentation of the MOVSM at the Annual Volunteer Recognition Ceremony.

IV. PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD (PVSA) recognizes individuals, families, and groups who achieved certain standards measured by the number of hours served during the period of 01 Jan 16 through 31 Dec. A pin, certificate of recognition and a letter signed by the current United States President are presented to the awardees.